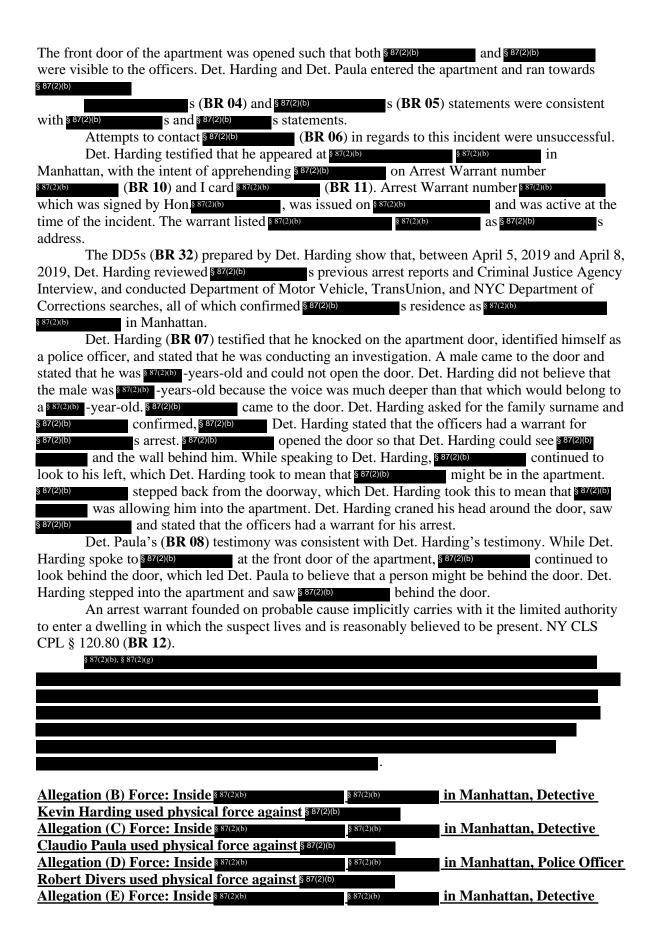
CCRB INVESTIGATIVE RECOMMENDATION

Investigator:		Team:	CCRB Case #:	☑ Force	☑ Discourt.	U.S.
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Incident Date(s)		Location of Incident:		Precinct:	18 Mo. SOL	EO SOL
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Complainant/Victim	Type	Home Addre	ess			
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2. DT3 Claudio Paula	3327	939188	WARRSEC			
3. DT3 Kevin Harding	1519	950559	WARRSEC			
4. POF Senia Taveras	12120	929442	034 PCT			
5. POM Robert Divers	22335	957551	WARRSEC			
Witness Officer(s)	Shield N		Cmd Name			
1. SGT Majer Saleh	02402	929110	034 PCT			
Officer(s)	Allegatio	on		Inve	estigator Recor	nmendation
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Officer(s)	Allegation	Investigator Recommendation
H.POM Robert Divers	Force: Inside \$87(2)(b) in Manhattan, Police Officer Robert Divers used physical force against \$87(2)(b)	
I.POM Robert Divers	Force: Inside \$87(2)(b) in Manhattan, Police Officer Robert Divers used physical force against \$87(2)(b)	
J.DT3 Kevin Harding	Force: Inside \$87(2)(b) in Manhattan, Detective Kevin Harding used physical force against \$87(2)(b)	
K.POM Robert Divers	Discourtesy: Inside \$\frac{8}{8}\frac{8}{(2)(b)}\$ in Manhattan, Police Officer Robert Divers spoke discourteously to \$\frac{8}{8}\frac{8}{(2)(b)}\$	
L.DT3 Claudio Paula	Discourtesy: Inside \$87(2)(b)	
M. Officers	Abuse: Inside \$\frac{87(2)(b)}{87(2)(b)}\$ in Manhattan, officers damaged \$\frac{87(2)(b)}{87(2)(b)}\$ s property.	
N.POF Senia Taveras	Abuse: At the 34th Precinct stationhouse, Police Officer Senia Taveras did not process series s complaint regarding officers.	

Case Summary

On April 8, 2019, § 87(2)(b) called the CCRB and filed this complaint on behalf of himself, § 87(2)(b) and § 87(2)(b) On April 22, 2019, the CCRB received IAB Log 2019-14837 (BR 33), a duplicate of this complaint filed by Sgt. Sean Lynskey of the Manhattan Warrant Section. On April 8, 2019, at approximately 7:30 a.m., Det. Kevin Harding, Det. Claudio Paula, and PO Robert Divers, all of the Manhattan Warrant Section, appeared at \$87(2)(b) in Manhattan to execute an active Arrest Warrant for § 87(2)(b) and § 87(2)(b) were inside of the apartment. Det. Harding entered the apartment (Allegation A: Abuse of Authority, and was followed by Det. Paula. § 87(2)(b) fled from Det. Harding and Det. Paula to the rear of the apartment. Det. Paula radioed PO Divers, who was outside the apartment building, and requested backup. Det. Harding allegedly grabbed and struck [8] (b) behind (Allegation B: Force, \$87(2)(g) Det. Paula allegedly punched \$87(2)(g) the abdomen and head (Allegation C: Force, § 87(2)(g) PO Divers entered the apartment and allegedly threw §87(2)(b) to the ground (Allegation D: Force, §87(2)(g) Paula brandished his collapsible baton and struck \$87(2)(b) on his torso (Allegation E: While officers attempted to place § 87(2)(b) in custody, § 87(2)(b) and § 87(2)(b) moved between the officers and § 87(2)(b) on the inside of his right hand (Allegation F: collapsible baton, Det. Paula struck § 87(2)(b) Det. Paula pushed § 87(2)(b) in the chest (Allegation G: Force, PO Divers pushed § 87(2)(b) in the chest (Allegation H: Force, \$87(2)(g) Det. Harding PO Divers pushed § 87(2)(b) in the chest (Allegation I: Force, § 87(2)(g) pushed § 87(2)(b) on her shoulders (Allegation J: Force, \$87(2)(g) PO Divers allegedly told § 87(2)(b) "Fuck off" (Allegation K: Discourtesy, § 87(2)(g) Paula allegedly used the word "Fuck" towards [197(2)[5] (Allegation L: Discourtesy. During the physical struggle, officers damaged a baby carriage, a closet door, and several ornaments (Allegation M: Abuse of Authority, \$87(2)(g) appeared at the 34th Precinct Later the same day, $\S 87(2)(b)$ and $\S 87(2)(b)$ stationhouse in Manhattan. § 87(2)(b) asked PO Senia Taveras, of the 34th Precinct, to file a complaint regarding police misconduct. PO Taveras did not process \$87(2)(b) \$87(2)(b) \$s complaint regarding officers (Allegation N: Discourtesy, \$87(2)(g) was arrested (**BR 01**) for assault in the second degree with intent to injure a police officer, burglary in the third degree, resisting arrest, and obstruction of governmental administration in the second degree. Footage of 34th Precinct stationhouse was obtained and is contained in IAs 62-63. There is no other video footage in this case. **Findings and Recommendations** Allegation (A) Abuse of Authority: Detective Kevin Harding entered \$87(2)(b) in Manhattan. § 87(2)(b) **(BR 02)** testified that he heard a knock at the apartment's front door and walked to the front of the apartment where \$87(2)(b) was already standing. \$87(2)(b) looked through the door's peep hole and saw Det. Harding and Det. Paula. Det. Paula stated that the officers were conducting an investigation, asked to speak with the door open, and briefly showed a photograph of an individual, who \$87(2)(b) did not recognize. \$87(2)(b) opened the front door such that both he and § 87(2)(b) were visible to the officers. Det. Harding entered the apartment and told § 87(2)(b) that he was under arrest. (BR 03) was in her bedroom and heard a knocking at the front door. heard an officer shout, "We have a warrant." § 87(2)(b) opened the door to her bedroom.



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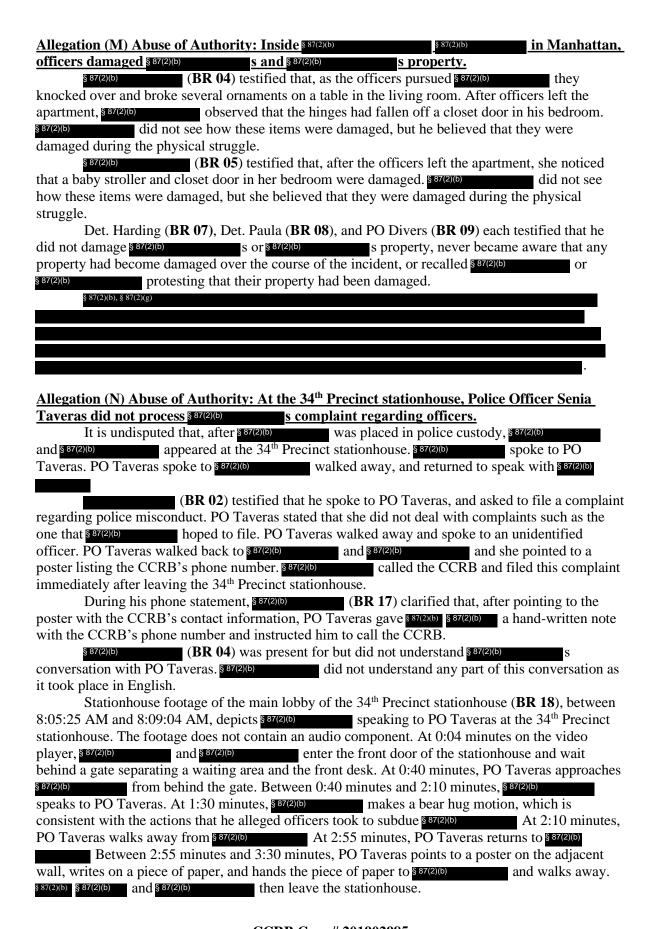
Claudio Paula struck § 87(2)(b) with a collapsible baton.
Allegation (F) Force: Inside \$87(2)(b) in Manhattan, Detective
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Allegation (G) Force: Inside \$87(2)(b) in Manhattan, Detective
Claudio Paula used physical force against \$87(2)(b)
Allegation (H) Force: Inside \$87(2)(b) in Manhattan, Police Officer
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Allegation (J) Force: Inside \$87(2)(b) in Manhattan, Detective
Kevin Harding used physical force against \$ 87(2)(b)
It is undisputed that \$87(2)(b) did not cooperate with officers attempts to place him
into custody and a physical struggled ensued. The type and magnitude of force applied by officers
is contested.
(BR 02) alleged that, after Det. Harding told §87(2)(b) that he was
being arrest, \$87(2)(b) moved towards the rear of the apartment to retrieve his shoes. Det.
Paula grabbed § 87(2)(b) in a bear hug, and § 87(2)(b) fell to the ground and landed on
his left shoulder. On the ground, Det. Paula punched \$87(2)(b) approximately five times with a closed fist in center of his abdomen. \$87(2)(b) attempted to stand. Det. Harding ran up to
a closed list in center of his abdolleri. Solve, and grabbed him in a bear hug from behind. Det. Harding and Solve, then
stumbled into \$87(2)(b) s and \$87(2)(b) s bedroom. When \$87(2)(b) arrived
in the bedroom, \$87(2)(b) was lying either on his back or on his stomach. Det. Paula
brandished his collarsible beton and struck \$87/200 approximately three times on either the
brandished his collapsible baton and struck \$87(2)(b) approximately three times on either the center of his chest or back. \$87(2)(b) and \$87(2)(b) approximately three times on either the moved in between Det. Paula and
§87(2)(b) although neither attempted to touch or strike Det. Paula. §87(2)(b) and
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his body away from \$87(2)(0) and struck the inside of \$87(2)(0) are sight hand twice
with his collapsible baton. PO Divers entered the apartment, ran to the rear bedroom, and pushed
\$87(2)(b) in the chest. \$87(2)(b) fell backwards on the bed behind him. PO Divers then
pushed § 87(2)(b) in the chest. § 87(2)(b) fell on his back. Officers handcuffed § 87(2)(b)
and walked him out of the apartment.
(BR 04) testified that Det. Harding and Det. Paula entered the apartment
and punched \$87(2)(b) on his head and torso. Det. Harding, Det. Paula, and \$87(2)(b)
fell to the floor in the apartment hallway. §87(2)(6) attempted to position himself between the
officers and §87(2)(b) Det. Harding and Det. Paula continued to punch §87(2)(b)
around § 87(2)(b) entered the rear bedroom and hid behind § 87(2)(b)
and § 87(2)(b) Det. Harding pushed § 87(2)(b) on the arms and shoulder. Either
Det. Paula or PO Divers pushed \$87(2)(b) in the chest, causing him to fall back on to his
bed. §87(2)(b) was simultaneously struck once with a collapsible baton on the right hand
between his thumb and his wrist. §87(2)(b) was not sure which officer struck him. While on
the bedroom floor, Det. Paula punched \$87(2)(b) in the head, removed his collapsible baton,
and struck \$87(2)(b) twice on the upper back by his neck. Det. Harding stood and prevented
and 887(2)(b) and sproaching the officers.
(BR 05) testified that, when officers and \$87(2)(b) entered her
bedroom, Det. Harding hit §87(2)(b) and grabbed him from behind. Det. Harding grabbed
s shoulders and pushed her to the side twice. Another officer, she was not sure
which one, grabbed \$87(2)(b) and pushed him, causing him to fall on his bed. Det. Harding
took out his collapsible baton and struck §87(2)(b) on his right hand between his wrist and
thumb. At some point during the altercation, PO Divers entered the apartment and threw §87(2)(b)
to the floor.
(BR 03) did not witness the initial physical altercation between \$87(2)(b)

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and officers.

The Threat Resistance Injury Reports (TRI) prepared by Det. Harding (**BR 13**) and Det. Paula (BR 14) are largely consistent. The TRIs list the force used against MOS as wrestling/grappling and pushing/shoving. The TRI prepared by Det. Harding does not list any injuries sustained by MOS. The TRI prepared by Det. Paula states that he sustained a strain to his lower back and a contusion on his left thumb. Both TRI reports state that both officers used a forcible take down and that an impact weapon was displayed. The TRI reports state that officers used force in self-defense, in the defense of other MOS, to overcome resistance or aggression, and to subdue a fleeing subject. A photo (BR 15) attached to the TRI reports shows a laceration [S 87(2)(6)] sustained to his forehead, for which he later received medical treatment. On April 8, 2019, § 87(2)(b) and § 87(2)(b) were treated at § 87(2)(b) Medical Center (**Privileged Documents**). § 87(2)(b) medical records state that she told medical practitioners that she was grabbed by police in her apartment earlier that morning, causing her shoulder pain and exacerbating a preexisting condition. Radiology tests of § 87(2)(b) s right shoulder were taken and showed slight internal rotation. § 87(2)(b) was prescribed ibuprofen for pain and cyclobenzaprine for muscle spasms, § 87(2)(b) s medical records state that he told medical practitioners that an officer hit him with a collapsible baton on his right wrist and tackled him to his bed, causing left hip and left side lower back pain. Radiology tests were conducted on §87(2)(b) s right wrist and was prescribed ibuprofen for pain and lidocaine-prilocaine for were unremarkable. § 87(2)(b) back pain. Det. Harding (**BR 07**) testified that, when officers entered the apartment, \$37(2)(5) fled down a hallway to the rear of the apartment. Det. Harding followed \$87(2)(6) who planted his feet and placed his hand palm-outward difficulty moving around § 87(2)(b) towards the officers. Det. Harding told § 87(2)(b) "Stop. Put your hands behind your back." did not comply with this command. Det. Harding told § 87(2)(b) did not step away from the officers. Det. Harding could not recall where in the apartment he first made contact with \$87(2)(b) but he reached his arms toward \$87(2)(b) s shoulders while pursuing him throughout the apartment. Det. Harding and Det. Paula effected a forcible takedown by grabbing §87(2)(b) s arms and lowering him to the floor. While on the ground § 37(2)(b) flailed his arms and prevented officers from handcuffing him. and § 87(2)(b) moved themselves between the officers and § 87(2)(b) Det. Paula displayed his collapsible baton but did not strike any of the apartment's occupants. Det. Harding does not carry a collapsible baton. He explained that it was a clerical error that his TRI report stated he displayed an impact weapon. While attempting to handcuff \$87(2)(6) Harding felt hands grabbing on to his arms. Det. Harding did not notice physical injuries to any of the apartment's occupants. Apart from the unintentional brush of his hand, Det. Harding denied pushing any of the apartment's occupants or making physical contact with any person apart from Det. Harding denied punching or witnessing any other officer punch \$87(2)(6) Det. Paula (BR 08) testified that, while Det. Harding and Det. Paula were attempting to in handcuffs, the apartment's occupants grabbed on to the officers' arms and shoulders, and they positioned themselves between the officers and §87(2)(b) officers were outnumbered by civilians, Det. Paula extended and displayed his collapsible baton. prevented the officers from gaining § 87(2)(b) s compliance by holding on to Det. Paula's left arm. Det. Paula pushed § 87(2)(b) in the chest to prevent him from holding on to his arm. Det. Paula told \$87(2)(b) that if he touched him again, he would strike him. backed away from Det. Harding. § 87(2)(b) stood up and attempted to flee from the officers again, but he ran into Det. Paula and both fell to the ground. Officers placed in handcuffs. Following the incident, § 87(2)(6) had a seizure at the 33rd Precinct stationhouse and was transport to the hospital, where he received treatment for injuries he

and he never struck § 87(2)(b) and with his collapsible baton. Det. Paula did
not notice physical injuries to any of the apartment's occupants.
PO Divers (BR 09) testified that was outside the apartment watching the fire escape, wher
he received a radio call requesting his assistance in the apartment. Upon entering the apartment, Po
Divers observed Det. Paula holding his collapsible baton, although PO Divers never saw Det. Paul
strike any person with his collapsible baton. PO Divers stretched his arms in front of his body
towards the apartment's occupants and instructed them to step back. PO Divers did not push or
make contact with any of the apartment's occupants. Det. Harding and Det. Harding placed \$87(2)(0)
in handcuffs. PO Divers had no physical contact with \$87(2)(b) prior to his being
placed in handcuffs.
An officer may use minimal and reasonable force to ensure the safety of a member of
service or civilian, to otherwise protect life, or to place a person in custody. In all circumstances,
the application of force must be reasonable under the present circumstances. NYPD Patrol Guide
Procedure 221-01 (BR 16).
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Allegation (K) Discourtesy: Inside \$87(2)(b) in Manhattan, Police
Officer Robert Divers spoke discourteously to § 87(2)(b)
Allegation (L) Discourtesy: Inside \$87(2)(b) in Manhattan,
Detective Claudio Paula spoke discourteously to \$87(2)(b)
\$ 87(2)(b) \$ 87(2)(b) (BR 02) testified that, while officers were struggling with \$ 87(2)(b)
he told the officers that he was a United States veteran and that §87(2)(b) respected him very
much. Det. Paula told \$87(2)(6) that he did not care if he was a veteran. PO Divers pushed
and stated, "Fuck off." Both Det. Paula and PO Divers used the word "fuck" while
was on the floor of the apartment, although \$87(2)(b) could not recall either
officers' exact use of the word.
(BR 03) testified that, after the initial physical struggle, she moved to the
doorway of \$87(2)(b) s and \$87(2)(b) s bedroom. \$87(2)(b) told the officers
that he was a United States veteran and Det. Paula responded, "I don't give a fuck."
Det. Harding (BR 07), Det. Paula (BR 08), and PO Divers (BR 09) each denied using or
hearing any other officer using the word "fuck" during the incident. § 87(2)(b). § 87(2)(g)
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called the CCRB and filed this complaint on April 8, 2019 at 8:17 AM, approximately eight minutes after leaving the 34th Precinct stationhouse. No Command Log entry (**BR 19**) was made regarding § 87(2)(b) s presence at the 34th Precinct stationhouse. PO Taveras (BR 20) testified that she possessed no recollection of this incident and denied refusing to take \$87(2)(b) seems as compliant against an officer. At the time of the incident, PO Taveras was working stationhouse security at the 34th Precinct stationhouse. PO Taveras was shown the footage of the main lobby of the 34th Precinct stationhouse and she explained that, on the wall of the stationhouse where she points in the stationhouse footage, hangs a poster with information for filing a CCRB complaint. When asked in her CCRB interview what the procedure was for processing a civilian's complaint against a member-of-service, PO Taveras stated that an officer can explain the process for filing a complaint via calling 311 or provide the CCRB's phone number. Sgt. Majer Saleh (BR 21), who was the desk sergeant when \$87(2)(6) and § 87(2)(b) appeared at the stationhouse, testified that he had no recollection of this incident. Sgt. Saleh explained that, when a civilian requests to file complaint against a member-of-service, a civilian complaint form is offered to the civilian and the complaint is recorded in the Command Log. The desk sergeant is responsible for completing a portion of the complaint report and providing a copy of the report to the civilian. The desk sergeant then contacts both the CCRB and IAB. Sgt. Saleh noted that, had he become aware of any civilian wishing to file a complaint, he would have made a Command Log entry. Patrol Guide Procedure 207-31 (BR 22) states that, when a civilian appears in person at a department facility and alleges misconduct by a uniformed member-of-service, the member-ofservice receiving the complaint is required to give the complainant the first copy of the Civilian Complaint Report to be prepared in the complainant's own handwriting. Should the complainant not want to immediately make a complaint, the member-of-service must provide the civilian with the first copy of the Civilian Complaint Report and additionally provided the Civilian Complaint Review Board's phone number. The member-of-service must then advise a desk officer or supervisor and a Command Log entry will immediately be made. Civilian and Officer CCRB Histories This is the first CCRB complaint to which § 87(2)(b) has been party (BR 23). This is the first CCRB complaint to which § 87(2)(b) has been party (**BR 24**).

• Detective Kevin Harding has been a member-of-service for eight years and has been a subject in two other CCRB complaints and three other allegations, none of which were substantiated.

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 Detective Claudio Paula has been a member-of-service for fourteen years and has been a subject in five other CCRB complaints and fifteen other allegations, none of which were substantiated.

has been party (**BR 25**).

has been party (**BR 26**).

- Police Officer Robert Divers has been a member-of-service for four years and this is the first complaint to which he has been a subject.
- Police Officer Senia Taveras has been a member-of-service for seventeen years and has been a subject in three other CCRB complaints and six other allegations, three of which were substantiated.
 - 201116175 involved substantiated allegations of frisk, stop, and threat of summons against PO Taveras. The Board recommended charges and the NYPD imposed Instructions.

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Mediation, Civil and Criminal Histories

- This complaint was not suitable for mediation.
- As of August 26, 2019, the New York City Office of the Comptroller has no record of a Notice of Claim being filed in regards to this complaint (**BR 27**).

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